

Michigan Office of the Auditor General REPORT SUMMARY

Performance Audit

Report Number: 55-142-03

Criminal Investigation Programs

Michigan Department of State Police (MSP)

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The criminal investigation programs are carried out through the Investigative Services Bureau, of which our audit focused on three divisions: Field Detective Division, Criminal Investigation Division, and Southeastern Criminal Investigation Division. These Divisions are responsible for providing investigative services, including specialized services, to local, county, State, and federal law enforcement agencies in each of Michigan's 83 counties.

Audit Objectives:

- To assess the effectiveness of MSP's criminal investigation programs in providing quality support services to law enforcement agencies.
- 2. To assess the effectiveness of MSP's administration of its investigation programs.
- To assess the effectiveness of MSP's administration of selected multijurisdictional drug task force operations.

Audit Conclusions:

- We concluded that MSP's criminal investigation programs were generally effective in providing quality support services to law enforcement agencies.
- 2. We concluded that MSP's administration of its investigation programs was generally effective.

 We concluded that MSP's administration of selected multijuridictional drug task force operations was generally effective.

Reportable Conditions:

- MSP needs to improve its compliance with internal procedures to ensure the timely submission and review of case incident reports, the proper use of case status codes, and the maintenance of required external documents in master case files (Finding 1).
- The MSP Investigative Resources section did not keep the Sexually Motivated Crime Database updated with the sexually motivated crime reports that it received from law enforcement agencies (Finding 2).

3. The multijurisdictional drug task force teams did not always adhere to MSP's administrative procedures (Finding 3).

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Agency Response:

MSP responded that it agrees with all of the recommendations.

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